

## State of Utah

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Russ Feller A&R Leasing 688 East Chad Ranch Road Veyo, Utah 84782-4141

Subject: Review of Reclamation Release Request, A&R Leasing, Black Hills Mine, S/027/0027, Millard

County, Utah

Dear Mr. Feller:

On February 8, 2016, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining received a request for a full release of reclamation liability for the Black Hills mine. The site has not been regraded, but the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has indicated that this site is to become a community pit. The Division withdraws its directive that you reclaim this site.

Since the BLM process for establishing a community pit is not yet complete, the Division cannot yet fully release you from reclamation liability. However, upon receipt of BLM notification that the community pit is established, the Division will process a request for full site release and file closure. Please use form MR-SITE.

Please contact Peter Brinton at 801-538-5258 if you have questions or concerns regarding this letter. In response, please reference file number S/027/0026 regarding this project.

Sincerely.

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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cc: Todd Leeds, BLM-Fillmore (tleeds@blm.gov)

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